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SUBJECT: ALLIED OBSERVERS FOR SOVIET MANEUVER "BEREZINA"
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1. WE PROVIDED ALLIES JANUARY 18 TEXT OF SOVIET NOTE, AND
ASKED THOSE INVITED TO SEND OBSERVERS TO "BEREZINA" TO LET
US KNOW PROMPTLY WHAT LEVEL OF REPRESENTATION THEY ARE
CONSIDERING AND WHETHER REPRESENTATIVES WOULD BE NOMINATED
FROM CAPITALS AND/OR MOSCOW EMBASSIES.

2. ON CHECKING WITH ALLIED DELEGATIONS JANUARY 19, WE
LEARNED THAT LONDON HAS DECIDED ON DEFENSE ATTACHE MOSCOW,
A BRIGADIER GENERAL, AND A MAJOR GENERAL FROM THE UK.
FRG INTENDS TO SEND TWO ATTACHES FROM ITS MOSCOW EMBASSY.
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(WE NOTE THAT THIS APPROACH CONFORMS WITH FRG PRACTICE OF
INVITING OBSERVERS FROM EMBASSIES IN BONN TO MANEUVERS IN
FRG). OTHER ALLIES HAD NO INFORMATION ON PLANS TO SEND
OBSERVERS.

3. WE IMAGINE THERE IS CONSIDERABLE INTEREST AMONG US
CANDIDATES TO OBSERVE THE MANEUVER -- AND THINK WE WOULD

BE WELL ADVISED NOT TO INSERT OURSELVES INTO THAT DECISION.
WHILE WE RECOGNIZE IMPORTANCE OF OTHER CONSIDERATIONS, A
BENEFIT RELEVANT TO OUR ACTIVITIES COULD ACCRUE FROM A US
OBSERVER WITH RESPONSIBILITIES FOR IMPLEMENTING THE
PROGRAM FOR CSCE OBSERVERS TO ALLIED MANEUVERS. GLITMAN

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